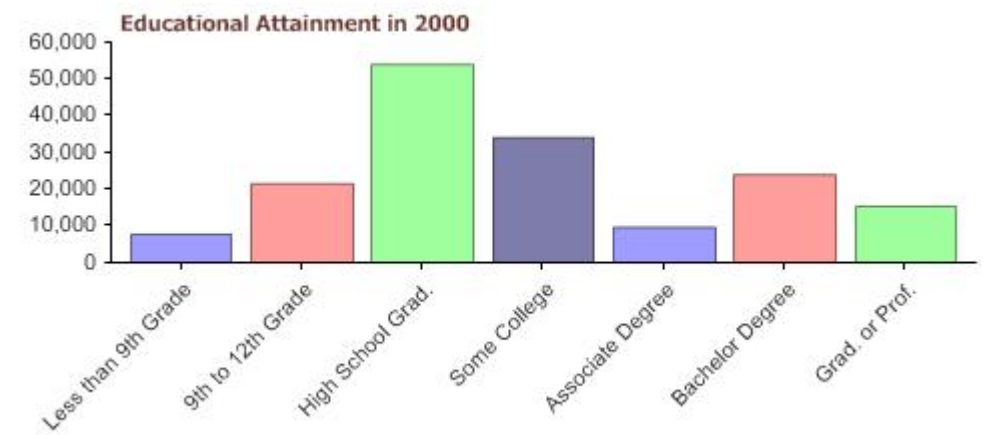


St. Joseph County, IN Highlights

Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

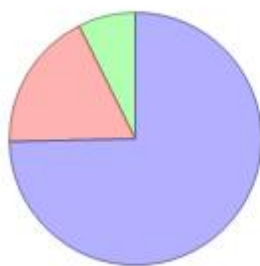
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	N/A	N/A	154,443	166,060
Less than 9th Grade	N/A	N/A	11,545	7,751
9th to 12th, No Diploma	N/A	N/A	25,424	21,484
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	N/A	N/A	53,175	53,901
Some College, No Degree	N/A	N/A	26,288	34,063
Associate Degree	N/A	N/A	8,322	9,623
Bachelors Degree	N/A	N/A	17,179	23,893
Graduate or Professional Degree	N/A	N/A	12,510	15,345



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	2,146	2,185	2,220	2,195
Total to Higher Education	1,665	1,654	1,879	1,767
Four-Year Institution	1,247	1,272	1,406	1,319
Two-Year Institution	294	252	288	317
Vocational/Tech.	124	130	185	131
Military	62	49	62	43

2007 Higher Education Intent

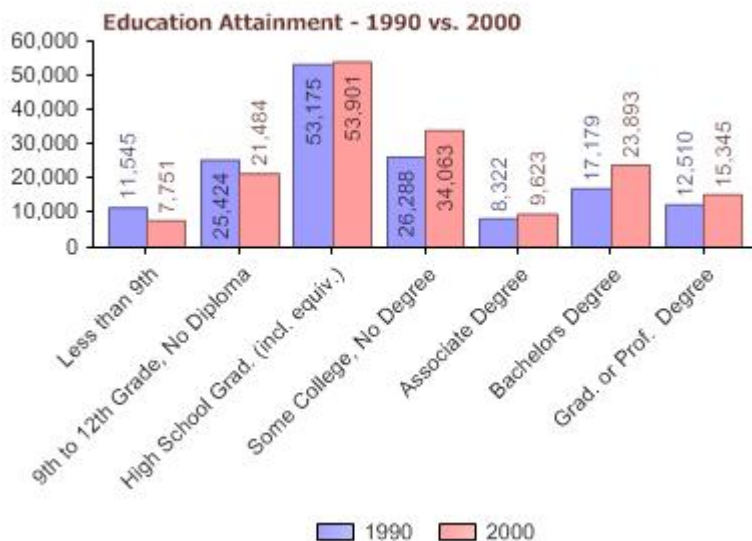


1,319 Four Year
317 Two Year
131 Vocational Tech.

Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

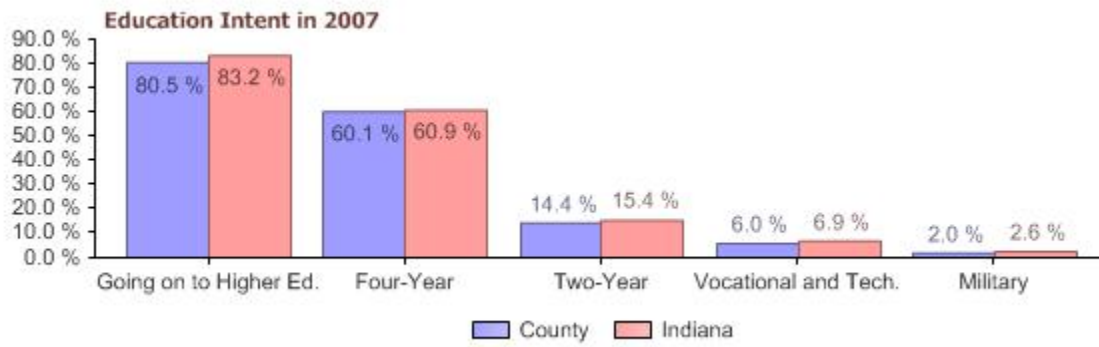
	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	154,443	100.0%	166,060	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	11,545	7.5%	7,751	4.7%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	25,424	16.5%	21,484	12.9%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	53,175	34.4%	53,901	32.5%
Some College, No Degree	26,288	17.0%	34,063	20.5%
Associate's Degree	8,322	5.4%	9,623	5.8%
Bachelor's Degree	17,179	11.1%	23,893	14.4%
Graduate or Professional Degree	12,510	8.1%	15,345	9.2%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.
Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	80.5%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	60.1%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	14.4%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	6.0%	6.9%
Military	2.0%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education